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The Perfect Afternoon Tea Recipe Book: More Than 160 Classic Recipes For Sandwiches, Pretty Cakes And Bakes, Biscuits, Bars, Pastries, Cupcakes, ... And Glorious Gateaux, With 650 Photographs



Synopsis

The ultimate teatime recipe collection, with an introductory guide to preparing and serving the perfect afternoon tea, along with all the family favourites you'd expect to find

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Customer Reviews

I have long been a fan of teatime. Before marriage, kids, homeschooling, etc sped up the pace of my life, afternoon tea was a time I enjoyed often. I still sometimes take a tea tray off to have a little time alone, and I love doing tea parties for my girls. In fact, for her eleventh birthday, my daughter requested a tea party. We made it a "High Tea" so Daddy could join in. We had a great time cooking together to get ready for it, and that's where this book comes in. We didn't make every dish out of the book, but we did make several. This book is wonderful!! Everything we tried came out wonderfully, and we have many things on our "to make" list. This is an absolutely gorgeous book, full of fantastic photos, recipes and information. The first 47 pages are filled with tea knowledge and history, etiquette, essential ingredients, basic equipment, methods, problem solving, etc. The recipes then commence. Wow! They start with recipes to make your own jam. I have not made these yet, but they are on my "to do" list for this summer when the fruits come back in season. The main recipe portion is divided into: Savoury Treats, Teabreads and Bakes, Fruity Treats, Pastries, Biscuits and Bars, Tea-Time Treats, Classic Cakes, Mini Celebrations, Sumptuous Gateaux. This is a really great collection of classic British teatime treats. You're sure to find wonderful recipes here. Happy Cooking!!

This is exactly what I have been looking for. Great recipes for tea sandwiches and tea pastries. It also is a good sized book. I have bought Afternoon tea books that cost as much with less content and were literally a small booklet size. My only grip is that it is originally published for an English audience, so not all the conversations are super correct and the baking temps are kinda weird for the American baker (ie, usually US recipes are baked at 300F,325F,350F etc, in this book some recipes are 316F or 360F). But again its a conversion so you know. Another thing that really bugged me was that a lot of the baked goods use self-raising flour. As a baker I find this inconvenient because its not always available at the store, its not always fresh and active, and its just another flour to be stored in your pantry. So I just use a conversion for self raising flour. But in the end I love this book!

You will drool when you see the full color illustrations in this book, which is a heavy tome of recipes and tea ideas. i bought this for a friend who wanted tea recipes and they were delighted. This is a large-sized book, so you could even keep this as a small coffee table book to browse in. Heavy, clay, bright paper, really useful in every way. Recommended.

I love this book! the recipes are easy and accurate, instructions are simple and precise and the pictures of the intermediate steps are a good guide. No need to add more time or more ingredients, just bake as it said and you'll have a great result!. I also love that recipes are not extremely sweet.

This is the most complete book on tea and provider of wonderful recipes I've ever purchased. It is easy to read and understand and makes planning a tea and / luncheon very easy. Helpful hints. The recipes are easy.

Tons of dessert recipes but not the typical English tea recipes and few were 'classic' from that perhaps narrow perspective. Lots of pictures of the finished product (great!) but the 650 pictures of making the food is not near as helpful as marketed . For example, lots of pictures of someone stirring or mixing the batter, or grating a lemon. No tea party eye candy. It has the obligatory how to make tea section (8 pages), which may be a good thing if you wanted just a recipe book. I feel it would be more accurate if it was titled the afternoon dessert book - or maybe American tea - and that's probably 4 o 5 stars. As a 'tea' book its not what I was expecting but others seem quite happy with it.

I bought this book to have a tea party for my mom. She is 74 yrs old and is in poor health. I really did it up. Made a wonderful Almond cake, petit fours and several of the tea sandwiches. Used our Royal Dalton Old English Rose pattern china. The ladies I invited were ladies that have come to visit Mom from her church every week for the past 5 yrs. I mailed really cute invitations. When the ladies came for the party they walked in to a beautiful table setting with beautiful teas and food. I enjoyed reading about the different teas. I am planning another tea party with ladies from my church. So love this book.

This book offers all kinds of ideas for tea. Some are simple, others are "why didn't I think of that". Those tried so far are very good.

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